## **CLAIMS**

- 1. An amplifier comprising:
- an input terminal to receive an input signal;
- a first gain stage comprising a pair of input transistors;
- a second gain stage to drive an output stage;

the output stage to provide inverting and non-inverting differential output signals on inverting and non-inverting output nodes; and

- a feedback signal electrically connected between the inverting and non-inverting output nodes to emitters of the input transistors through a resistor network.
- 2. The amplifier of claim 1, the resistor network comprising resistor having values chosen to provide equal gain magnitude to the inverting and non-inverting output nodes from a single-ended input.
- 3. The amplifier of claim 1, the amplifier further comprising a feedback resistor electrically connected between the inverting node and the input terminal to synthesize an input impedance.
- 4. The amplifier of claim 1, the input terminal being electrically connected to a ferrite bead.
- 5. The amplifier of claim 1, the first gain stage further comprising a pair of transistors having emitters electrically connected to the output node through a feedback resistor network.

- 6. The amplifier of claim 1, the second gain stage further comprising a common emitter amplifier.
- 7. The amplifier of claim 6, the amplifier further comprising an emitter follower driving the second gain stage.
- 8. The amplifier of claim 1, the output stage further comprising a constant product loop.
- 9. The amplifier of claim 1, the output stage further comprising a rail-to-rail output stage.
- 10. The amplifier of claim 1, the amplifier further comprising a non-linear current source electrically connected to an output transistor on a first side of the amplifier and controlled by the opposite side output signal.
  - 11. An amplifier, comprising:

an input terminal to receive a single input signal;

- a first opposite side comprising a non-inverting output node to provide a non-inverting output signal;
- a second opposite side comprising an inverting output node to provide an inverting output signal; and
- a second gain stage current source biased dynamically dependent upon the opposite side output signal.

12. The amplifier of claim 11, the first stage further comprising a pair of differential transistors having emitters electrically coupled to the high output node through a feedback resistor network.

## 13. An amplifier, comprising:

an input terminal to receive an input signal;

a first gain stage comprising a pair of input transistors;

an output stage to provide an inverting and non-inverting differential output signals on inverting and non-inverting output nodes; and

a feedback signal electrically connected between the inverting and non-inverting output nodes to emitters of the input transistors through a resistor network.

14. The amplifier of claim 13, the amplifier comprising a second gain stage, wherein the second gain stage drives the output.

## 15. A selectable-gain amplifier comprising:

an attenuator having an input terminal and a plurality of output terminals, wherein the attenuator is constructed to generate a plurality of output signals at the output terminals responsive to an input signal received an the input terminal; and

a selection stage coupled to the attenuator and arranged to select one of the plurality of output signals responsive to a gain control signal.

16. The amplifier of claim 15 wherein the selection stage comprises a plurality of gm cells.

17. A variable gain amplifier comprising:

an attenuator having a plurality of pairs of tap points; and
a plurality of pairs of gm cells, wherein each pair of gm cells is coupled to a
corresponding pair of the tap points.

- 18. The amplifier of claim 17 wherein each pair of gm cells is constructed and arranged to operate as a multi-tanh cell.
  - 19. An integrated circuit comprising:a bipolar junction transistor arranged to operate as a saturating switch;wherein the transistor is dielectrically isolated.